

**Humorous Department.**

**A Winner Sure.**—Richard Croker, at a banquet in New York, praised a successful political leader, says the New York Times. "Like all successful men," said Mr. Croker, "he is resourceful. He can readily turn adverse into favorable circumstances. This was proved to the hilt by an episode of his youth. "In his youth, you know, he deeply loved a beautiful actress. One morning during the holidays his motor car stopped at the actress' hotel and he got out with a great hamper of pheasant and grouse, champagne, tropical fruit and flowers. "Here," he said to a bell boy, "take this hamper to Miss Stella Starr, please. "Gee," said the bell boy, "you're the fifth gent wot's sent her up a hamper this mornin'."

"Our young friend frowned. "What—what were the other gents' names?" he asked. "They didn't give their names," sir, said the bell boy. "They just said she'd know who they were, all right." "Well, here," said our young friend, "take her up my card, and tell her this hamper is from the same person who sent the other four."

**A Real Delicacy.**—A New York clubman who prides himself on his knowledge of things epicurean, was much interested in an item he discovered in the menu laid before him on the occasion of his visit to a town of the middle west. The item was "green bluefish." "Water," demanded the New Yorker, "what sort of fish are green bluefish?" "Fresh, sir," quickly responded the waiter. "Right from the water." "How dare you impose upon me?" continued the clubman. "You know well enough that bluefish are not taken at this season."

Whereupon the waiter picked up the menu and gave it a careful scrutiny, as if by that action he would solve the mystery. Then, with an air of one suddenly enlightened, he added: "Oh, that, sir? That's hothouse blue fish."—Lippincott's.

**Questioner Floored.**—One of the members of the school committee undertook to sharpen up the wits of the boys by propounding the following question: "If I had a mincepie and should give two-twelfths to John, two-twelfths to Isaac, two-twelfths to Harry, and should keep half the pie for myself, what would there be left?" "There was a profound study among the boys, but finally one held up his hand as a signal that he was ready to answer.

"Well, sir, what would there be left? Speak up loud so that all can hear," said the committeeman. "The plate," shouted the hopeful fellow. The committeeman turned red in the face, while the other members roared aloud.

**A Prize Turkey.**—An old Norfolk lady, famous for her strain of turkeys, sold one just before Christmas to a neighbor named Brown. But it proved tough at the Christmas dinner, and as Brown had paid a stiff price for the bird, he hid for the vendor. "What do you mean by imposing such a turkey upon me—one of your neighbors?" he inquired. "Why, was there anything wrong about it?" "Wrong, madam? It wasn't good at all."

"Well, it ought to have been," rejoined the dame, "for it won first prize at the Norwich Poultry show for eleven years in succession!"—London Farm and Home.

**What They Asked Him.**—"How do you pronounce 'Clayhanger'?" "Do you really think Dickens is a dead one?" "How long does it take you to write a novel?" "What are the Five Towns?" "Won't you let me send you a copy of my book?" "I'm going to ask you a favor: Won't you autograph just one of your books for me?" "Which of your novels do you like best?" "However did you come to know so much about women?"—New York Mail.

**Some Peroratin.**—In making a peroration before enraptured hearers, a speaker said: "We must not be content, but must advance. We must go on and on. We must reach higher heights, broader breadths and deeper depths." A village evangelist was improving in prayer and presently stumbled into a pitfall. "O Lord," he prayed, "make the in-temperate temperate; make the unholy holy; make the industrious—dustrious."—Chicago Evening Post.

**Miscellaneous Reading.**

**WITH NEIGHBORING EXCHANGES.**  
Notes and Comments About Matters of Local Interest.  
Lancaster News, January 26: Miss Minna Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Reid, was married in Camden on Tuesday to Mr. Joseph Hough of Bethune. . . . A little 3-year-old boy of Mr. Robert Hinson of Flat Creek township, died Monday from the effects of burns received the Saturday before. The little fellow was in the house alone and his clothing caught fire. He suffered great agony until death came to his relief.

**Rock Hill Record, January 26:** A dispatch yesterday from Richmond, Va., stated that Guy Whitner Sutherland, ticket agent at Anderson, and Miss Ola May Dye, of Newport, this county, were married in the Virginia city Tuesday evening. Miss Dye recently secured a position at Williamsburg, Va. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Dye. . . . Dick Kerr had the misfortune to get his face pretty badly slashed with a knife in the hands of Lawrence Pope at the graded school grounds Tuesday afternoon. From what the Record can learn of the affair, the boys have been on an honor system down there and the Pope boy, it is stated, had not been conducting himself as he should, so some of the boys had told him that he must improve or they would get after him. It is said he made threats as to what he would do if they reported him. As some of the boys made a dash for him he drew a knife and slashed Kerr pretty badly in the face.

**Gaston Progress, January 26:** Yesterday morning about 10 o'clock, the fire company was called out to extinguish a fire in the old wooden building at the corner of Main avenue and Marietta street. Before they reached the scene the fire had gained good headway, and it seemed probable that it would be burned. As soon as the hose could be turned on the fire was quickly put out, and the only serious damage done was to the roof, which was burned practically off. . . . The following marriage licenses have been issued since the last report: Mr. Alex Biggers of York county, S. C., and Miss Mary Mitchell of Lowell; Mr. Walter L. McArver and Miss Mary Pauline Pearson of Gastonia. . . . Tuesday afternoon Mr. T. W. Wilson came very near losing a fine horse at the C. & N.-W. crossing on Marietta street. The horse which was hitched to a buggy was standing in front of Craig and Wilson's store when the C. & N.-W. freight train came in. The freight was behind time and was running at a high rate of speed in order to make connection with Southern train No. 12. The horse became frightened and ran across the street in front of the moving train. The emergency brakes were applied by the engineer, but the rear wheel of the buggy was struck by the engine. The damage was only slight.

**Gaffney Ledger, January 26:** A petition was being circulated yesterday asking Cherokee's delegation in the general assembly to draft and have passed a bill similar to the one from Aiken county, which takes the construction and maintenance of the public highways out of politics and invests it in the hands of a special road commission; and also to pass a law permitting the people of the county to vote upon the question of issuing bonds for the construction of permanent roads in this county. The petition was being numerously signed at the time of going to press. . . . A marriage of interest to Gaffney people was solemnized at the home of the bride on Limestone street last night, when Mr. Stanley Wilson and Miss Nola Daniel, both well known young people of this city, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony was performed by Rev. N. A. Henrick of the Cherokee Avenue Baptist church. . . . Quite a unique fire occurred in this city on Wednesday about noon. Mr. Neeley Lipscomb, a planter of the White Plains section of the county, was bringing a load of cotton, consisting of three bales, to the city market. He had just reached the corporate limits of the town and had started up Grand street, when looking around he was amazed to find one of the bales on fire, a great volume of smoke issuing therefrom. Hastily springing from his wagon, he made his way to a nearby house and turned in an alarm. Fortunately there was a fire house near by and the wagon was stopped right at a hydrant. The water connection was quickly made and the blaze extinguished. The flames, however, had badly damaged the cotton before assistance arrived. The only explanation of how the cotton caught is that it must have been ignited by a spark from a passing train.

The first lucifer match was struck in 1834. It is sometimes happens that the man who knows himself, does not know much. The plume of the Prince of Wales, worn on state occasions, is valued at \$50,000. In the days of affluence always think of poverty; do not let want come upon you, and make you remember with sorrow the time of plenty.

**FACTS AND FICTION**  
Experiences of Yorkville Citizens Are Easily Proven to Be Facts.  
The most superficial investigation will prove that the following statement from a resident of Yorkville, is true. Read it and compare evidence from Yorkville people with testimony of strangers living so far away you cannot investigate the facts of the case. Many more citizens of Yorkville will endorse Doan's Kidney Pills.

J. E. Carroll, St. Main St., Yorkville, S. C., says: "My kidneys were disordered and the passage of the kidney secretions annoyed me by being irregular. My back ached and there were acute pains in my loins. Doan's Kidney Pills, which I obtained at the York Drug Store, gave me prompt relief and after taking them, my kidneys no longer troubled me. My experience leads me to say that Doan's Kidney Pills are the best to use in cases of kidney complaint."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

**68 BALES ON 75 ACRES**

**Farmers Listen to What Mr. Ladd Lumpkin Says**

Mr. R. T. Fewell, President  
Rock Hill Fertilizer Co.  
Rock Hill, S. C.

Dear Sir:  
I want to tell you that I am well pleased with your fertilizers, and it is a great saving to get the kind of goods your soil requires. At one time I offered my crop for my fertilizer bill. My cotton was late, and until we got rain in June it looked like starvation, and I thought it too late to make even a half crop. I am sure I would not have done so had I not used fertilizers that suited my soil. I made sixty-eight (68) bales on seventy-five (75) acres.

Yours very truly,  
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(Signed)

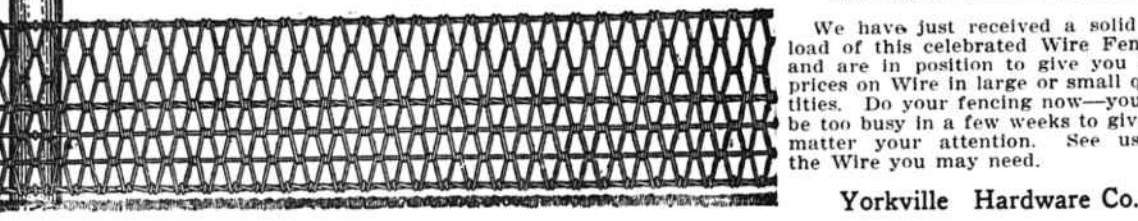
Mr. Lumpkin is one of York County's best farmers, and the above letter shows that he knows a good thing. Let us hear from you before buying.

Yours to please

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This is a picture of Ellwood hog fence. More of this style is used than of all other makes combined. In connection with several strands of plain barbed wire, it puts up a fence that is absolutely pig-tight and will also turn large stock.



**Home-Ground Meal**  
We have about twenty-five bushels of CHOICE HOME-GROUND COUNTRY MEAL. If you want something good, we can furnish it now if you will move quick.

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If you need any kind of Lumber, either Dressed or Rough, Green or Kiln-Dried, come and see us for what you need. We can supply your wants at the Right Prices.

**CITY MEAT MARKET**  
C. F. SHERER, Prop.  
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There is beef and beef; but I am not trying to sell anything but the Finest. I may be a little higher in price, but—Oh, well! I do not see how I can reduce the price without reducing the service, and I am not going to do anything of the kind.

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To go with the Buckwheat cakes we have a barrel of extra good quality OPEN KETTLE NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES that you will find much better in flavor than most molasses that you can buy. Try 'em.

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**PERFECTION**  
SMOKELESS OIL HEATER  
A woman often does not notice what a cold day it is so long as she is bustling around the house. But when she sits down to her sewing and mending, she soon feels chilly. It is then she needs a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater. Its quick, glowing heat warms up a room in next to no time. That is the beauty of a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater. It is always ready for use; you can carry it wherever you please; and you light it only when you want it. The Perfection Oil Heater is smokeless and odorless—a patented automatic device insures that. It is reliable, safe and economical—burns nine hours on one filling. Handsome, too—drums finished either in blue enamel or plain steel, with nickel trimmings.  
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**COLE'S HOT BLAST COAL**  
STOVES FROM CHICAGO—  
These are undoubtedly and unquestionably the best Coal Heaters that have ever been put on the market. They are tremendous heaters for the amount of coal consumed. They are convenient, quick and clean. Or perhaps you have some broken Jewels, a brooch, a pin, a ring, a buckle or something of the kind, that you want repaired. Bring it, too, you may as well be using it as leaving it in a box or drawer doing nothing.  
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**Bank of Hickory Grove**  
Hickory Grove, S. C.  
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PURE RICE FLOUR and MILL FEED  
for your hogs, etc. Rice Flour is one of the best fat producers known.  
We still have some choice WINTER SUITS and OVERCOATS, which we will offer at Bargain Prices.  
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**AUCTION SALES.**  
MASTER'S SALES FOR FEBRUARY, 1912  
State of South Carolina—County of York.  
PURSUANT to sundry decrees passed by the Court of Common Pleas for Spartanburg county in the case of J. H. Parris, Plaintiff, vs. Carolina Mutual Insurance Co., Defendant, I will sell to the highest bidder for Cash before the Court House Door in Yorkville, on Saturday, FEBRUARY 5, 1912, between the legal hours of sale the property hereinafter described as belonging to the parties herein mentioned. The purchasers shall pay for the property hereinafter described as belonging to the parties herein mentioned ten days thereafter the property will be re-auctioned and sold on some subsequent Saturday at the risk of the former defaulting purchaser.  
I. One lot of land, containing a one-story, shingle-roof frame dwelling, occupied March 12, 1907, by M. C. Dunlap as a renter; three-room, one-story, shingle-roof frame tenant house; two-story, shingle-roof frame barn or stable and sheds; situated on Southern Railway, one-fourth mile north of Ogdens, S. C., in York County, S. C. Sold as the property of M. B. Dunlap.  
II. One lot of land containing Crib and Cotton House combined, 14x22 feet; one tenant house, 14x18 feet; situated six miles northwest of Rock Hill, Bethesda township, York county, S. C. Sold as the property of M. B. Dunlap.  
III. One lot of land containing a two-story, shingle-roof frame house, eleven miles south of Rock Hill, S. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Sold as property of P. M. Blanks.  
IV. One lot of land containing a two-story, shingle-roof, log and frame dwelling, adjoining property of J. H. Sutton and J. R. Halle; on E. D. No. 1, from Fort Mill, York county, S. C. Sold as the property of M. M. Bennett, S. T. LANHAM.  
Master for Spartanburg County.

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Of Sharon, S. C.

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For Rent—A 3-horse farm and also a 1-horse farm at Guthrieville. See me at once. Good Level land.  
**FOR SALE**  
20 Acres—A 3-horse farm, one-story house, 4 rooms; one-half red and other sandy. Price, \$1,000.00.  
35 Acres—20 acres cow stable, good balance in timber; John E. Price, Wm. Burns and R. N. McElwee. Price, \$250.00.  
11 Acres—John L. Ferguson, Frank Smith, J. W. Dobson, 1 house, 1-story, 6 rooms. Price, \$1,300.00.  
220 Acres—King's Mountain Battleground; 1 house, 1-story, seven rooms. New; 25 acres under cultivation; balance in timber; 8 miles from King's Creek. Good new barn, dressed lumber; 2 tenant houses, 3 rooms each. Price, \$15,750 per Acre.  
75 Acres—John R. Davis, R. J. Davis, Sandy Watson and others. One-story, 5-room house; barn, cotton house and crib. Price, \$300 per Acre.  
200 Acres—Fronting public road, 1-story 4-room house; 4 horse farm open; 75 acres in timber; 2 miles from Roddy. Price, \$200 per Acre.  
84-100 Acres—Residence of J. J. Smith, deceased, in Clover, on King's Mountain street; 2 stories, 7 rooms; good barn; 1 house; 40 acres in cultivation. Price, \$200 per Acre. Walter G. Hayes.  
300 Acres—3 miles from Sharon; a large 3-story brick residence; good well and springs; 3 tenant houses; 2 cribs; rolling land; Very Cheap.  
57 Acres—1 house; 40 acres in cultivation. Price, \$200 per Acre. Walter G. Hayes.  
180 Acres—24 acres bottom land, 1 dwelling house, 11-2 story, 5 rooms; fine barn; 1 tenant house. Price, \$11 an Acre.  
**J. C. WILBORN.**  
Yorkville, S. C.  
**TAX RETURNS FOR 1912**  
Office of the County Auditor of York County, South Carolina.  
Yorkville, S. C., December 1, 1911.  
As required by statute my books were by me opened at Yorkville, S. C., on Monday, JANUARY 1, 1912, and kept open until FEBRUARY 20, 1912, for the purpose of listing for all PERSONAL and REAL PROPERTY held in York county on January 1, 1912.  
All returns must be made in regular form and in a readable form that they be made by the property owner in person to me or my assistant, direct, on blanks provided for the purpose. The returns must be duly sworn to either before me or my assistant, or some other officer qualified to administer an oath.  
All items of realty, whether farms, or town lots, must be listed separately. Returns made on proper blanks, and sworn to before an officer qualified to administer an oath and forwarded to me by registered mail before February 20, 1912, will be accepted.  
All taxpayers are particularly requested to inform themselves as to the number of their respective school districts and where they have property in more than one school district, they will please make separate returns indicating the location of each piece of property. The school districts in which there are special levies are as follows: Nos. 22, 23 and 27, in Bethel township; Nos. 8, 13, 14, 29, 33 and 43 in Bethesda township; Nos. 9, 20, 38, 40 and 44 in Broad River township; Nos. 9, 15, 20, 38 and 48 in Buck's Creek township; Nos. 12, 45 and 46 in Catawba township, Nos. 7, 12, 32, 35, 36 and 43 in Ebenezer township; Nos. 25, 28 and 30 in Fort Mill township; Nos. 2, 21, 22, 37, 41, 44 and 49 in King's Mountain township; Nos. 11, 20, 21, 33, 35, 42, 43, 47, 48 and 49 in York township.  
For the purpose of facilitating the taking of returns, and for the convenience of taxpayers, I will accept the following places on the dates named:  
At Rock Hill, from Thursday, January 25, to Wednesday, January 31, 1912, and at Yorkville from Thursday, February 1, until Tuesday, February 20.  
All males between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, except Confederate soldiers over the age of fifty years, are liable to poll tax of \$1, and all persons so liable are especially requested to give the numbers of their respective school districts in making their returns.  
It will be a matter of much accommodation to me if as many taxpayers as possible will meet me at the respective appointment places on the dates so as to avoid the rush at Yorkville during the closing days.  
BROADWAY M. LOVE  
County Auditor.